## Request for City Council for the City of Ingleside, Texas

Subject:

Amendment to Ingleside City Code Chapter 70 Vegetation, Article II,

Trees, Division 5 Maintenance, Section 70-86, Obstruction; trees pruned

**Submitted By:** 

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John Davis, Building Official

Date Submitted To City Manager: July 17, 2014

For The Agenda of: July 22, 2014

Attachments: Amendment to Ingleside City Code Chapter 70 Vegetation, Article II,

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A	pproved	By Cit	y Manager:	
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**Summary Statement:** 

This amendment is an attempt to give specific height requirement for trees above streets, right-of-ways, and sidewalks for citizens to have a better understanding of the

maintenance requirements for their property.

**Recommended Action:** 

Staff recommends approval of the Amendment.

<b>ORDINA</b>	NCE NO	•

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 70 VEGETATION ARTICLE II TREES, DIVISION 5 – MAINTENANCE INGLESIDE CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO AMEND SEC 70-86 OBSTRUCTION; TREES PRUNED, IN AN ATTEMPT TO GIVE SPECIFIC HEIGHT REQUIREMENT OF TREES ABOVE STREETS, RIGHT-OF-WAYS, AND SIDEWALKS FOR CITIZENS AND PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE, READING, SEVERANCE, AND PUBLICATION.

## BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLESIDE, COUNTY OF SAN PATRICIO, STATE OF TEXAS:

**Section 1.** Amendment. CHAPTER 70 VEGETATION ARTICLE II. TREES, DIVISION 5 – MAINTENANCE, SEC 70-86 OBSTRUCTION; TREES PRUNED is hereby amended to read as follows, new matter being indicated by underscoring and deleted matter by interlineations:

## Sec. 70-86. Obstruction; trees pruned.

It shall be the duty of any person owning real property bordering on any street or public way upon which property there are trees, to prune and maintain such trees above streets, right-of-ways, and/or sidewalks to a height not less than thirteen feet (13') from the ground surface, so in such manner that they will not obstruct or shade the streetlights, obstruct the passage of pedestrians or vehicles on sidewalks or street, obstruct vision of traffic signs, obstruct the view of any street or alley intersection or constitute a danger to the safety of property or persons.

- **Section 2.** Effective Date. As provided by Article III, Section 3.11C of the Charter of the City of Ingleside, this ordinance shall be effective upon adoption and, in addition, if any penalty, fine or forfeiture is imposed by this ordinance, then this ordinance shall be effective only after publication of this ordinance in its entirety or in summary form once in the official newspaper of the City of Ingleside.
- **Section 3.** Reading. As provided by Article III, Section 3.11.B of the Charter of the City of Ingleside, this ordinance or the caption of it shall be read at two City Council meetings with at least two weeks elapsing between each reading.
- **Section 4.** Severance. If any part of this ordinance is invalid or void or is declared to be so, then said part shall be severed from the balance of this ordinance and said invalidity shall not affect the balance of this ordinance, the balance of the ordinance to be read as if said invalid or void portion thereof were not included.

**Section 5**. Publication. As provided by Article III, Section 3.11C, this ordinance shall be published one time in the official newspaper of the City of Ingleside, San Patricio County, Texas, which publication shall contain the caption of this ordinance stating in substance the purposes of same.

PASSED, ORDAINED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this day of					
, 2014.					
	CITY OF INGLESIDE, TEXAS				
	By: Pete Perkins, Mayor				
ATTEST:					
Kimberly Drysdale City Secretary					
First Reading:					
Second Reading:					